



8 – Grant Clark



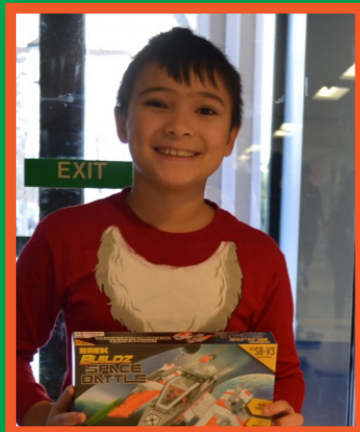
7 – Gillian Nowicki



6 – Archie Perrin



5 – Nahdia Philyaw-Rose



4 – Dannol Hudson



3 – Jack Lauve



2 – Adrian Butera



1- Hesham Yahya



K-Leila Khalil



Congratulations for the following students for winning the attendance awards for the month of December! In the next month, you can try to win again by being to school everyday and on time. Thanks for coming to school regularly it helps you grow as a learner and become the best that you can be!



A NEW YEAR



A NEW BEGINNING

# PAST EVENTS

## SCIENCE FAIR 16-17 AT CARNEGIE SCIENCE CENTER

The 6th Annual Science Fair took place on December 2nd, 2016. Students from 4th-8th grade presented their projects to various judges throughout our community. Students also participated in activities at the science center. Many projects were trophy worthy but those who placed in 1st, 2nd and 3rd are listed below. Many thanks to Science committee, staff, judges, parents and students making this event very successful.

### 4th Grade

First Place - Page Fredrick  
Second Place - Cole MacNeil  
Third Place - Jayna Robinson

### 5th Grade

First Place - Adia O'Toole  
Second Place - Whitney Baranzini  
Third Place - Jillian Rarick

### 6th Grade

First Place - Talise Brown  
Second Place - Kareem Dorman  
Third Place - Anthony Alston

### 7th Grade

First Place - Agustin Segarra  
Second Place - Xavier Siciliano  
Third Place - Aujahna Vaughn

### 8th Grade

First Place - Grant Clarke  
Second Place - Ali Demircioglu  
Third Place - Jonna Oree



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## ROBOTICS

**2016-17 Western PA FLL Grand Championship**






**January 6 & 7, 2017**

**La Roche College**

9000 Babcock Blvd  
Pittsburgh, PA 15237

*"Good luck to all our Young Innovators!"*

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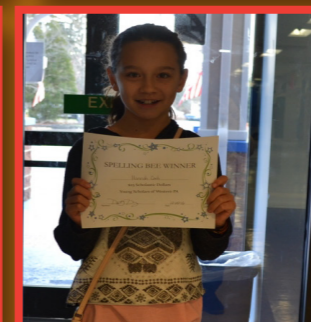
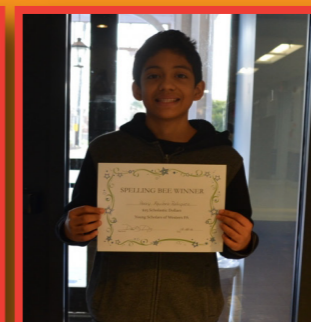
## SPELLING BEE

Students in grades first through eighth competed in the annual Young Scholars Spelling Bee. Each homeroom held their individual class spelling bees and sent 4 or 6 finalists to the final round. All of our participants did a great job and worked very hard!

### The winners were:

- 1st Grade Champion- Chidem
  - 2nd/3rd Grade Champion- Yunus
  - 4th/5th Grade Champion- Hannah
  - Middle School Champion- Henry
- Congratulations to all of our winners!

Hannah and Henry will compete in our school's final spelling bee on Friday, January 20th. The winner will represent Young Scholars at the Regional Spelling Bee



# YSWPCS JANUARY 2017 Events

| Event Name                                | Day         | Date             | Time         | Where |
|---|-------------|------------------|--------------|-------|
| PSSA Practice Test<br>READING             | Tue. - Thu. | Jan. 10 - 12     |              |       |
| PTO Meeting                               | Tue.        | Jan. 10          | 5:30 PM      |       |
| No School -<br>Parent/Teacher Conferences | Mon.        | Jan. 16          | 12 PM - 8 PM |       |
| PSSA Practice Test -<br>MATH              | Tue. - Thu. | Jan. 17-19       |              |       |
| No School -<br>Parent/Teacher Conferences | Mon.        | Jan. 23          | 8 AM - 12 PM |       |
| PSSA Practice Test<br>SCIENCE             | Tue.- Wed.  | Jan. 24-25       |              |       |
| Scholastic Book Fair                      | Mon.-Fri.   | Jan. 30 - Feb. 3 | School Hours |       |

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### PSSA PRACTICE TEST

**READING**  
Tue. - Thu. / Jan. 10 - 12  
**MATH**  
Tue. - Thu. / Jan. 17 - 19  
**SCIENCE**  
Tue.- Wed. / Jan. 24 - 25

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### Staff Thanksgiving Dinner

We are thankful! The YSWPCS staff got together at the Brentwood Firehall to celebrate Thanksgiving! We enjoyed a delicious buffet from Getaway Catering and a potluck dessert bar. It was a wonderful way to start the long holiday break by celebrating with our school family!



### Backpacks for the Homeless

Dear YSWPCS Families,  
2B would like to thank everyone who donated towards our Backpacks for the Homeless drive. We were able to STUFF 24 backpacks. The remaining items not packed in backpacks will go to a local shelter. A special thank you to the 8th graders who helped us pack everything and organize it. We really appreciate your spirit of giving, and we hope you all have a wonderful holiday! Thank you also to the PTO for donating many items, your support is always phenomenal.



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## International Winter Celebration

This year Young Scholars, once again, celebrated many different holidays that happen during the winter months. The classes each created a special design for their door, learned about the traditions of their holiday, and presented this information to the school using songs and dance. The school happily embraces the diversity of our students and community each year by holding the International Winter Holiday Celebration. Happy Winter Holidays from YSWPCS!



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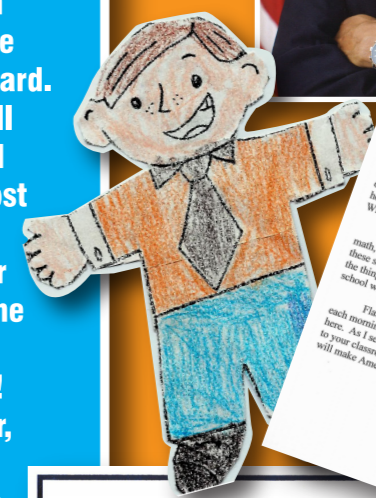
## Senator Toomey's Office Visit

The regional manager for Senator Toomey, Katelyn Lamm, came to visit our school today! She toured the building and stopped into classrooms and was able to see our students and teachers in action! Ms. Lamm states that Senator Toomey is very much for school choice and the parent's right to send their child to a different school than their home school district. Young Scholars was very excited to show Ms. Lamm just how special our school is!

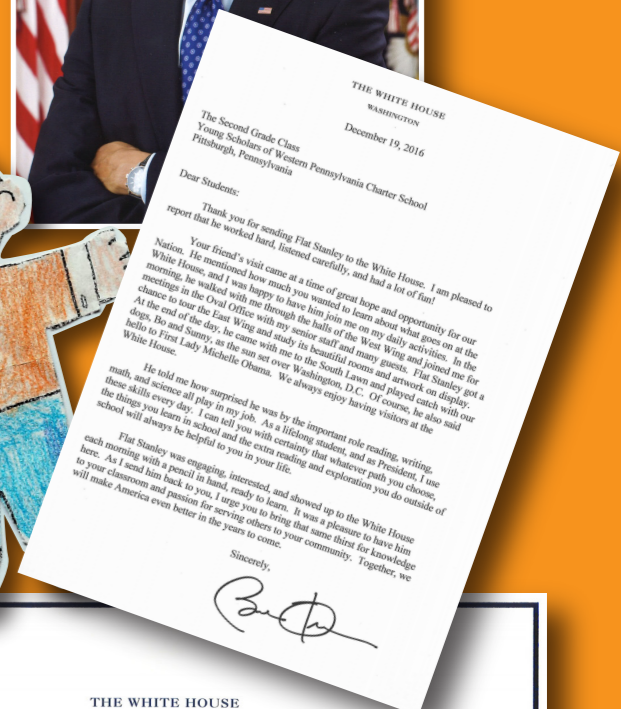
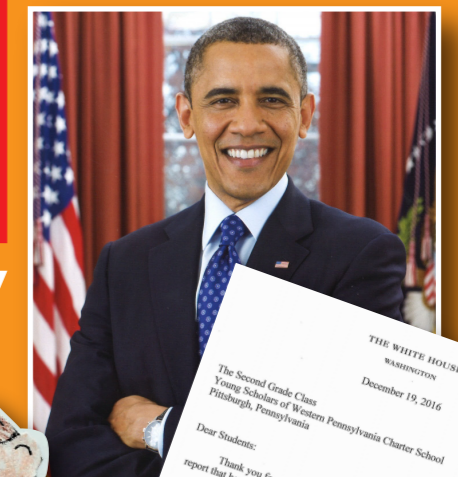


## Inspired by the book Flat Stanley

Inspired by the book Flat Stanley: The Original Adventure by Jeff Brown, Second Grade began a year-long geography project. In the book, the main character gets flattened by a bulletin board. Luckily he is fine, but now he can be mailed all over the globe for adventures. We have mailed out many Stanleys this year, but one of our most exciting responses just came this past week. The students wrote formal letters to the Mayor of Pittsburgh, the Governor of Pennsylvania, the Vice President, and President. On Monday, we received letters back from Governor Tom Wolf! Each envelope came with a personalized letter, a flat Governor Wolf, and a ton of information about our home state. To check out the letters and the rest of Stanley's adventures, or to get your own Stanley, visit our website: [www.ysflatstanley.weebly.com](http://www.ysflatstanley.weebly.com).



## FLAT STANLEY VISITS THE WHITE HOUSE



'Thank you for your service as a teacher, and for sharing your students' letters with me. From the moment a child enters a classroom, the single most important factor in their success is the person in the front of the room, and I am inspired by your enthusiasm and dedication. Your work is making a difference in young people's lives, and it will shape our Nation's future.

Keep pushing your students to think bigger and set their sights higher!

Sincerely,